

### Friday, May 19, 2017

**INSIGHTS FOR WEEKEND READING** 

# Advisory signage on westbound Highway 14 almost ready West Shore Voice News



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issue

Sooke commuters have been waiting for this!

The advisory sign facing westbound traffic on the 4-lane portion of Highway 14 (Sooke Road) is expected to be activated by the end of May when the new power supply is connected.

The BC Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure says that once the sign is in operation, it will provide important and timely traveller information regarding delays, road closures and current road conditions, as provided from the DriveBC traveller information system. wsv

# Shore Voice News West

# Parking lot at Sombrio Beach to be closed on May long weekend West Shore Voice News

• Over the May long weekend, access to the parking lot at Sombrio Beach will be temporarily restricted for safety measures. This has also been done in previous years. It's about discouraging illegal activities such as parties and vandalism.

The BC Ministry of Environment says unauthorized activities



within the park can impact the social, economic, cultural and ecological sustainability of both the park and the local communities. Shore Voice

The 2.5-km gravel access road off Highway 14 (West Coast Road) to the parking lot at the Sombrio Beach trailhead will be closed to vehicle traffic from 7 am on Friday, May 19 to 12 am (midnight) on Monday, May 22.

All locations within Juan de Fuca Provincial Park, including the designated campsites at Sombrio Beach and the Juan de Fuca Marina Trail, remain open to the public. The three remaining trailheads to the Juan de Fuca Trail at China Beach, Parkinson Creek and Botanical Beach are still vehicle-accessible.

BC Parks wants all park users to peacefully and safely enjoy recreational activities that Sombrio Beach and Juan de Fuca Provincial Park are known for, West Shore Voice News



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# 'Rugby Day' announced in Langford



Members of the Canada Women's Sevens team joined Gareth Rees of Rugby Canada (left), Langford Mayor Stew Young (second from right), and (from left) Councillors Winnie Sifert, Denise Blackwell, Lillian Szpak, and Lanny Seaton at Langford City Hall on May 18. Rugby players (from left/front row): Hannah Darling, Julia Greenshields. (Backrow): Charity Williams, Breanna Nicholas, Sara Kaljuvee, Megan Lukan. WEB COURTESY SAMPLER

Rugby has long been supported in Langford, from grassroots to highperformance. In anticipation of the upcoming 2017 HSBC Canada Women's Sevens tournament at Westhills Stadium on Saturday May 27 and Sunday May 28, this week Langford Mayor Stew Young declared May 27 as Rugby Day in Langford during a brief event at city hall. West Shore Voice News

The upcoming tournament will host the best 12 women's sevens teams in the world. "We are honoured to have Rugby Canada call Langford home, and we are proud of the hard work, talent and dedication these elite athletes put forth," said Mayor Young. "We recognize the support of the community, fans, and volunteers and we look forward to the HSBC Canada Women's Sevens playing in our world class sporting facility." West Shore Voice News

2017 HSBC Canada Women's Sevens marks the third consecutive year that the Langford community has enthusiastically embraced a dynamic weekend of high performance sport. In addition to serving as an annual host to this international series, Langford is also the home of the Al Charron Rugby Canada National Training Centre, which will serve as a critical component for the ongoing development of high performance rugby in Canada.

"Rugby Day in Langford is a fitting initiative for a community that has played such an important role in supporting and inspiring our Canadian rugby athletes," said Gareth Rees, Director Commercial and Program Relations, Rugby Canada. "We are grateful for the continued passion and leadership the City of Langford shows toward the development of rugby in Canada, and we look forward to hosting an exciting weekend where members of the community will have the chance to watch the best women's sevens players in the world compete for the West Shore Voice News tournament and series title."

The 2017 HSBC Canada Women's Sevens will host 12 of the world's best women's sevens teams for the fifth stop on the six-event circuit of the HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series. Canadian women are currently third in the overall standings heading into Langford, coming off a recent silver medal performance in Japan. Previously, they finished sixth in Dubai, won in Sydney, and placed third in Las Vegas. They're only 12 points back of 1st overall and two points away from claiming 2nd with two tournaments remaining.

such as hiking, camping and wildlife viewing. wsv

**Courtesy online edition** As part of Canada's 150th birthday celebrations, the Sooke Seekina Region Museum will present a new Seeking Salmon exhibit on Salmon the significance of salmon to humans and the region. Opens June 25, runs to April 2018. www.sookeregionmuseum.ca West Shore Voice

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Thousands of people have already bought tickets for the May 27-28 tournament, but there's room for more. Rugby enthusiasts, families, and developing rugby athletes who aspire to represent Canada one day on the world stage come out each year for this event. The tournament will also be broadcast live on www.worldrugby.org and TSN GO. In-stadium tickets: www.canadasevens.com wsv

#### West Shore R U loyal when you shop? Voice News

Brand loyalty and consumer trust from a sample of 294 corporate and product brands was explored in a survey of 6,560 Canadians. The Gustavson Brand Trust Index (GBTI) for 2017 was released through the University of Victoria this week. The top three most trusted brands were Mountain Equipment Co-op, Canadian Automobile Association, and Costco. Some insights: • The majority of brands were perceived positively (only two brands received a negative score) • Brand trust increases with age • Brand trust decreases as income of a consumer increases • Women as consumers are more trusting than men • Values-based trust is becoming a more important driver of overall brand trust. wsv

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FROM THE WEST COAST

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• So many people wish the election results had been final on

Meanwhile, gee, all this excitement over the BC Greens being

General Election Day, May 9. But such was not the case. And now

we wait. There are two official recounts to be done and over 176,000

in a position to call the shots if it ends up that BC has a minority

government. Not only is this a rare thing in BC politics where majori-

ties usually prevail, but the Greens are relatively new to mainstream

politics. So, all of it is fascinating. Pundits everywhere watch with

interest as Green Party Leader Andrew Weaver lines up pragmatic

Take a breath, final results next week

absentee ballots to count. West Shore Voice News

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# Annual mid-year CRD reservoir decline gets underway West Shore Voice News

As of May 1, the Capital Regional District (CRD) Stage 1 water conservation bylaw is in effect (to Sept 30). It's part of an annual strategy to maintain water supplies for Greater Victoria through the drier months of the year.

In 2015 and 2016 in which warmer drier weather came earlier than it has this year, the level of water in the Sooke Lake Reservoir began its annual seasonal decline as of April 19 (99.8%) and April 10 (99.5%), respectively. This year, the first measurement below 100% was seen a bit further into spring, on May 7 (99.6%). The full pool level of Sooke Lake Reservoir is 186.75m, serving a CRD-region population of about 380,000.

According to weather forecasts, this Victoria Day long weekend will offer the first couple of sunny days in 2017 with temperatures in the high teens. In warmer weather, there tends to be more water usage.

Stage 1 conservation allows residential lawn watering twice a week (even addresses on Wed/Sat and odd addresses Thurs/Sun). Established plantings and vegetable gardens may be watered by a hand-held hose with shut-off or hand-held container, or micro/drip irrigation system, on any day at any time. Municipalities may water lawns and boulevards on Monday and Fridays [1am to 10am & 7pm to 10 pm]. www.crd.bc.ca/water wsv

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added: "Almost 60% of the ballots were cast against the sitting government." said Horgan, referring to the combined voting results of the BC NDP and the BC Greens. Vol

And on proportional representation: "What we have is a real opportunity to demonstrate why proportional representation can work here in BC. We have an outcome that allows two parties with vast majorities to work together with opportunities for the people," said Horgan today. "People were satisfied with the election results and want to make sure this minority situation works."

### **ANDREW WEAVER [BC GREEN]**

On May 17, Green Party Leader Andrew Weaver met with media to address this waiting phase ahead of the final vote count. He said the Greens' conditions for collaborating with whichever party forms the majority include achieving official party status, banning big money from political campaigns, and a discussion on proportional representation, Shore Voice News

The party has brought on long-time political strategist Norman Spector as a consultant during this period where the Greens sort out their challenges. Spector helped negotiate NAFTA under the Mulroney government and was a BC government deputy minister. He has a PhD in political science. WSV



Sooke Lake Reservoir (at top of the dam's spillway), May 15.

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41st BC PROVINCIAL GENERAL ELECTION SEATS / RESULTS May 9, 2017 Absentee ballot count and total final count by Elections BC

CHRISTY CLARK [BC Liberal]

On May 16 in an afternoon news conference from her office in Vancouver, Premier Christy Clark emphasized that the final election results are not counted yet. So she started by thanking everyone who ran as a candidate in the 41st General Election that brought out about 60% of registered voters to the polls on May 9.

On election night the BC Liberals won 43 seats, the NDP captured 41 and the Greens 3. All party leaders were returned to the legislature: Christy Clark for the BC Liberals, John Horgan for the BC NDP (Leader of the Official Opposition), and Andrew Weaver as the BC Green Party leader. West Shore V

"All of us share a profound love for this beautiful province that we call British Columbia," said Clark, adding that she "heard loud and clear" that people want the government to work across party lines. West Shore Voice

"We share so many goals in common," said Premier Clark."They

to them. They want us to see past politicians and see them -- that is the message in this election," said Clark. "It's a message we have heard and are deter-

### JOHN HORGAN [BC NDP]

BC NDP Leader John Horgan (reelected last week as MLA for Langford-Juan de Fuca) met with media at 4pm today May 16.

When asked about his stand on the TransMountain pipeline, Horgan said "we need to defend our coast from a sevenfold increase in tanker traffic" and that he would discuss the issue with Prime Minister Trudeau if the NDP becomes the majority government in BC after the BC Election final count including absentee ballots and official recounts in two ridings (Courtenay-Comox and Vancouver-False

Horgan said he is eager to see the final election results. That will include over 176,000 absentee ballots and the official recounts. After which he "can't wait to

#### political strategist Norman Spector to help guide their way, while Christy Clark brings on the son/grandson of two BC premiers Bennett to guide the BC Liberal transition. Meanwhile, there's a possibility that the NDP could still pull off a majority if recounts and absentee ballots tip in their favour. If either major party ends up with 44 seats, they still lose one to the Speaker's chair. All of it still fragile.

**BC** leaders in suspension-mode

**Election results PART TWO:** final analysis coming in the May 26 issue of West Shore Voice News

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**BC LIBERALS** 

coming May 24

mined to reflect back." West Shore Voice News

Creek). Results are expected May 24.

want us to do that regardless of what party we were elected to represent," said Clark.

Clark's critics might ask why cooperation was not forthcoming in the last 16 years of BC Liberal majority governments. The May 9 election results pushed that point and it seems to have stuck. West Shore Voice News

"We are listening. We have heard your voice, you want change. You want government to deliver on what matters to you," the Premier said.

Clark announced that Brad Bennett (son of former premier Bill Bennett and grandson of former premier WAC Bennett) will lead the BC Government transition team for the next few weeks.

"British Columbians want to get on with the things that are important to them. But they said they want us to remember the things that are important

get started".

Meanwhile, Horgan aims to continue focusing on services that people in BC want such as improvements in health care and services for seniors. "My whole objective of my getting into politics was to make life better for people," Horgan told media today. "I'm still involved and still want to do that." voice News

Regarding Premier Clark's comments earlier that day about working to improve services for people in BC, Horgan said: "That message clearly has been lost on the Liberals for the last 16 years." He said there has been "no shortage of opportunities" for the government to work on behalf of the people.

Horgan said that almost 60% of those who voted last week were saying to the government they the people haven't believed the government is working for them, that they were "more focused on fundraising than on governing". He

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# West Coast Lifestyle

#### West Shore **Drivers aware of environmental impact** Voice News

The open roads of summer beckon. Are you fuel efficient enough?

A new survey by Leger for Canada's tire makers found that, while drivers want to minimize the impact their vehicles have on the environment, many are unaware how to achieve that goal. West Shore Voice News

Conducted for the Tire and Rubber Association (TRAC), the survey found that 74% of Canadian drivers did not know about low rolling resistance (LRR) tires and the significant fuel efficiency gains they provide. About 9% of motorists presently ride on LRR tires.

LRR tires are designed with specialized tread patterns that keep cars moving more efficiently, rubber compounds that minimize internal movements inside the rubber itself, and with materials that lower weight, increase rigidity and improve aerodynamics. Less energy is required to push them down the road.

LRR tires cut fuel consumption by 2% to 4% compared to conventional tires. Motorists driving 25,000 km/year on these new generation tires save \$50 toest Day weekend! \$100 annually. Those who log significantly longer distances save more. Shore

indicated they would likely purchase a set, provided the fuel savings covered the ews their trucks as a float in the Victoria Day Parade in Victoria. slightly higher cost of these fuel saving tires. That's up from 69% interest one year earlier. West Shore Voice News

"The significant uptick in interest in LRR tires reflects the high priority Canadian drivers place on being eco-friendly," says Glenn Maidment, president of TRAC. "Clearly, we have a major opportunity to lessen the impact vehicles have on the environment and reduce energy consumption simply by raising awareness of this important tire category. The need for consumer education is highlighted by the fact that 41% of motorists don't even know if their vehicles are equipped with fuel-saving tires."

ving tires." West Shore Voice News Four key areas of proper tire care are: Pressure, Alignment, Rotation and Tread. Be Tire Smart Week is May 15 to 21. The Get Fuel Fit guide is at http:// /bit.ly/Fuel-Fit-Guide-2017 with info on tire selection, maintenance, and driving habits that improve fuel economy and protect the environment. WSV

# Langford donates use of trolley to lawnbowlers

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**Chris Aubrey** 

appointed

as City of

Langford

**Fire Chief** 

The City of Langford trolley bus -- recently retired from transiting shoppers and tourists around town -- will be used during the 2017 Canadian Lawn Bowling Championships to shuttle competitors to and from their accommodations at the Four Points Sheraton. Langford Council approved donated use of the trolley for the August 13-19 event this summer. The same was done in 2009 and 2012.



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Trolley will be used as lawn bowling shuttle.

The cost of driver and fuel comes to \$2,200, with that being split 50/50 so Langford pays \$1,100 as a donation and the event organizers pay the other \$1,100.

Now that the trolley has been freed up from round-town travels, it is likely to be available for other future events and tours in the Langford area. **Wsv** 

West Shore Voice News

City of Langford Mayor and Council this week appointed Assistant Chief Chris Aubrey to the position of Langford Fire Chief.

Aubrey brings 17 years of experience with Langford Fire Rescue, as a volunteer, Lieutenant, Captain, and most recently as Assistant Chief of Prevention. He has assisted with significant events, both locally and abroad, including fighting the Happy Valley School Fire, the Sheraton Hotel Fire, the Evergreen Mall Fire and the Goldstream Park fuel tanker rollover, being deployed in the Okanagan for structural fire protection during the height of the 2003 wildfires, and helping rebuild houses after Hurricane Katrina. West Shore

Born and raised on the West Shore, Aubrey has a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Victoria, was recently nominated for a Victoria Leadership Award for Coaching and Mentoring, and has extensive training in the areas of fire suppression, fire prevention, public education, emergency management, and medical response

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On Saturday, May 20 it's Big O Tires Westshore Night at the Races at When made aware of this fuel saving advantage, 77% of drivers surveyed oice Western Speedway in Langford. Then on Monday May 20 they will have one of

> Located at 1705 Island Highway in View Royal, Big O Tires Westshore is a new franchise... about a year ago owner Don Swindell decided to align with Big O Tires. "They are a trusted brand name in BC," says Swindell.

> The full automotive shop has been a thriving business for eight years in total. Success of the shop is due to "great service, great prices, and great products", says Swindell. They do full auto repair and maintenance. Voice New

> When it comes to vehicles, summer is a high-usage season. It's always good to have your vehicle checked before taking it on a road trip. Wsv

### Tire inflation made easy West Shore Voice News

Lower your environmental impact and save money by checking tire pressures monthly to ensure they are set at the vehicle manufacturer's specified level. Under-inflated tires waste about 500

million litres of fuel each year in Canada. That's Nest Shore Voice News enough fuel to power 275,000 vehicles for an entire year.

Measuring and adjusting tire pressure is a four-step process.

Find the right inflation pressure by wheel position on the vehicle placard, which is commonly located on one of the vehicle's inside door posts, or inside the glove compartment or fuel door. Consult the owner's manual for the exact location. West Shore Voice

Measure pressure when the tires are cold. If you have been driving, wait three hours before measuring tire pressure. Tires heat up when rolling, so if they are measured after driving more than 2 km, the pressure reading will be inaccurate.

Use a reliable tire gauge when measuring pressure. Doing just a visual inspection is not effective to measure tire pressure. A tire can be under- or over-inflated by 20% or more and not be noticeable. Remove the cap from the valve stem, press the tire gauge onto the valve and take the pressure reading.

Add air until the recommended air pressure is achieved. If the tire gets overfilled, release air by pushing on the metal stem in the centre of the valve, then re-measure



Chronic under-inflation can carve as much as 15,000 km off the service life of a tire, adding to tire replacement costs and the number of scrap tires. wsv

**Tire Smart** 



**Chris Aubrey** starts mid-June as the new Langford **Fire Chief** 

and rescue services. West Shore Voice News

Aubrey looks forward to leading a team of career and volunteer firefighters, as well as the Emergency Support Services, the Women's Auxiliary and the Amateur Radio Volunteers. "We have a team of highly skilled

individuals who care deeply in what they do," said Aubrey. "I am fortunate to be surrounded by caring and dedicated people who work hard each and every day to help their neighbours in times of need." West Shore Voice News

On Aubrey's appointment, Mayor Young noted: "Assistant Chief Aubrey brings an excellent work ethic, dedication to the City of Langford, and the ability to lead a team of committed staff and volunteers." This sentiment was echoed by Councillor Szpak, Chair of the Protective Services Committee: "Chris Aubrey will be an excellent Fire Chief for our community. His great working relationships within the department and in the region, his commitment to Langford Fire Rescue, and his team approach will serve Langford well, both now and into the future."

Aubrey will be replacing retiring Fire Chief Bob Beckett, who has served as Langford's Fire Chief for over 20 years, with 41 years experience in firefighting. Beckett's last day will be just ahead of Aubrey's first day. A formal transition period was not required, with Aubrey having been the assistant fire chief for several years. "I am looking forward to building upon the foundation of excellent service and commitment to the community that is the hallmark of Chief Beckett's career," says Aubrey. He will assume the role of Fire Chief on June 16. WSV

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# WHAT'S GOING

May Long Weekend / Victoria Day stat holiday. Sat May 20-Mon May 22. Victoria Day Parade Mon May nity Hall. Bring stuff and learn how to fix it. free! Learn to 22 in Victoria.

Beach Food on Ocean Boulevard in Colwood. Fri May 19 & Sat May 20. 11am to 7pm

Big-O Tires Westshore Night at the Races. Sat May 20 at Western Speedway in Langford. Tix: www.westernspeedway.net | www.bigowestshore.ca est ShoSooke Halibut Derby: Sat May 20 & Sun May 21. W To \$150/Swww.sookesaltwaterseries.ca

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District of Sooke Council Meeting. Tues May 23. 7 pm includes public presentations on duplex zoning and funding for JdF RAMSAR. www.sooke.ca

SD62 Board Meeting. Tues May 23. 8 pm. Includes final 2017-2018 budget. www.sd62.bc.ca

Fri May 26 & Sat May 27. 11am to 7pm

Sun May 28. Westhills Stadium in Langford. Buy tickets

online: www.rugbycanada.ca 27. 10-2. Register by May 24: www.crd.bc.ca/about/events or 250.478.3344

ers. Sun May 28 2:30-4:30 pm, Sooke Region Museum www.SookeWriters.com

District of Sooke Committee of the Whole. Mon May 29. 7 pm. Beach Food on Ocean Boulevard in Colwood. Sooke Emergency Support Services Open House. Tues May 30. 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Sooke council chambers, 2225 Otter Pt Rd . www.sooke.ca Open Daily at PHARMASAVE 5-8pm all summer at Sooke Region Museum. Vendor/busker appli-**6716 West** cations: www.sookeregionmuseum.ca Coast Rd Canada's in Sooke 8 am. 2350 Sunriver Way, Sooke. West Shore Voice N Your community pharmacy Royal Bay Sat June 4 at 11 am. Belmont Sun June 11 at 11 am. **Medication &** Compounding valley course at Bear Mountain. 1pm. www.cityoflangford.ca **Experts** Monday to Thursday: 8am-8pm Fridays: 8am-6pm Bike Park & Stan Jones Ball Field. www.seaparc.ca **Phone:** 

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## Sooke's first Repair Cafe

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Iron Mine Bay Guided Hike in East Sooke Regional Park. Sat May

Sooke Folk Music Society concert. Sat May 27. Sue Medley with

Live Reading & Launch: 'Write from Sooke' by EMCS student writ-

SD62 bus registration deadline Wed May 31. www.sd62.bc.ca

Sooke Night Market opens Thurs June 1. Thursday nights

Sunriver Estates Annual Epic Yard Sale. Sat June 3 starting

SD62 Grad Ceremonies at UVic: EMCS Sat June 3 at 1pm.

Langford Mayor's Golf Tournament. Fri June 9. 18-hole

Picnic in the Park. Sat June 17. Free family event at Sooke

Public hearing on Freedom Mobile monopoles. Mon June

19. District of Sooke Committee of the Whole, 7pm. www.sooke.ca

John Mang. 1962 Murray Rd. 7:30 pm. www.sookefolkmusicsociety.com

Fight the throwaway culture and get stuff fixed at Zero Waste Sooke's Repair Cafe on Saturday, May 27. Local volunteer repair experts equipped with tools and knowledge will gather downstairs at Sooke Community Hall, 9am-1pm. Their mission: To ensure as many malfunctioning local household items as possible are repaired and put back into productive use. Bonus: It's all free!

Organized by Zero Waste Sooke, the family-friendly event welcomes locals to bring broken items

for repair. -- lamps, hair dryers, clothes, electronic appliances, furniture, bikes, toys and crockery included. No guarantees, but more than likely these items can be repaired by the specialists. And if not, well, no harm, no foul, no cost in making the West Shore Voice News effort.

"We trash mountains of stuff on this planet," says Zero Waste coordinator Wendy O'Connor. Things can be repaired. "We've been convinced by manufacturers that its somehow easier to buy the latest, greatest models," she says. Skillstraining cafes demonstrate that items can be maintained over the long term.

Volunteers confirmed so far include Wendy and Paula Johanson (fabrics), Bernie Klassen and Elgin Ambrose (wood products), Garrath Morgan and his dad Chris (small appliances), and Cast Iron Farm's Jeremy Newell.

Other attractions: "Community Mike" Russell and his 10-year-old son Kasian will host bike repair clinics for adults and kids respectively. Marion Pettinger will offer mini-workshops on kombucha. Triston Line of EMCS Robotics and the school's Makerspace planning team will introduce 3D printing. And Bernie will demonstrate DIY silk-screening techniques. There will also be a fun work station where youngsters can safely participate in building their own takeaway bat houses.

Additional volunteer fixers welcome. Check in with team leads Bernie and Wendy: info@zerowastesooke.ca West Shore Voice News

Repair Cafes have become increasingly popular around the world since the

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Metchosin FD, 4440 Happy Valley Rd. Free. Sooke Region Museum Annual Open House & Salmon BBQ. Sun June 25, noon to 3pm.

'Seeking Salmon' exhibit. Sooke Region Museum. Opens Sun June 25 (runs to April 2018). www.sookeregionmuseum.ca





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